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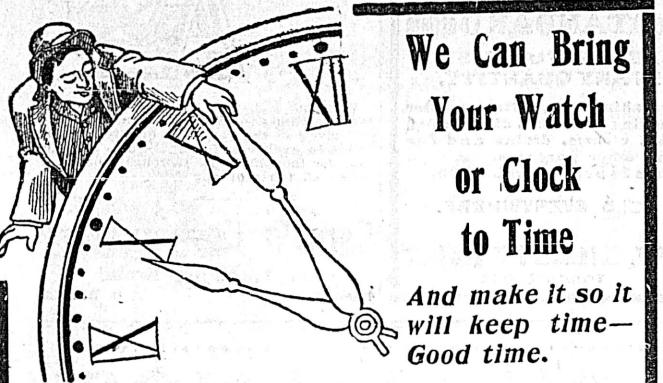
# The Daily Colonist.

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## Revolt Of The Peasants

Fear Movement May Spread to Seven Millions of Poles.

Subversion of National Language and Economic Questions the Grievances.

Daily Murderous Attacks on Police Cause Anxiety to Authorities.

**W**ARSAW, Feb. 27.—According to reliable information reaching Warsaw today, the Poland peasants' revolt—in view of the fact that the peasants number 7,000,000 out of a total population of 10,000,000—will, if it spreads, result in disorder far greater than anything that has arisen during the present agitation. The peasants hitherto have not figured to any great extent in this agitation, which is confined to the two million of workmen in the cities and towns. The Socialists recently sent emissaries into the country districts to stir up the villagers. According to reports, they were unable to rouse them, and were easily let away by the Socialist oratory.

The revolt began at Pruszkow and extended at once to Plock. It first reached serious dimensions in the district of Yedle, where a majority of the Greek Catholics or Uniates reside. Embittered by religious persecutions, they quickly joined in the agitation and approached the landed proprietors with a demand for an increase of 50 per cent in their wages. Their demands being refused, they promptly struck. In many instances the peasants resorted to violence. Disturbances have been reported from nearly fifty villages, where the strikers burned government alcohol shops, the authorities making no interference.

### Peasants' Grievances.

The peasants' real grievances are in connection with the language and economic questions. They smart under the methods of the local bureaucracy in making obligatory the use of the Russian language, which they do not understand. It is stated that already 130 villages have declared that they will not receive official proclamations in the Russian language. While there appears to be no danger of the real peasant revolution, a revolt against the compulsory use of the Russian language is feared and the situation is regarded as far from reassuring.

The police in three districts have demanded an increase of pay, which was granted. The authorities are instructing the military in police duty in order to be prepared for further disturbances, and consequently most of the policemen are accompanied on their beats by soldiers.

### Murderous Attacks Daily.

Murderous attacks occur daily on solitary policemen on small patrols in the streets of Warsaw, causing the gravest anxiety to the authorities, who are at a loss to know how to protect the policemen. The force of police, which is entirely inadequate, consists of only 1,000 men to a population of 800,000, of whom at least 40,000 are known to be criminals of the most desperate class. Reports are current today that the murders will continue until the number of policemen killed equals the total number of persons killed in the January disturbance.

The employees of the suburban train railroads have struck and the city firemen announce that they will strike on Saturday unless given higher wages. The grave-diggers of the Jewish cemetery have made similar demands.

### GREATLY EXAGGERATED.

Theodosis, Kaffa, Feb. 27.—The recent disturbances here have been greatly exaggerated. One Jew died as the result of street fighting growing out of anti-government demonstrations on the part of Jewish strikers.

### INTERVENTION IS ASKED.

New York, Feb. 27.—Attorneys for the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company today represented to the American state department that they have received advices showing that the receiver for the company's property in Venezuela had despatched another shipload of asphalt from the states to New York. They point out that this makes 13,000 tons as much which has been taken from the company's mines under President Castro's orders, which asphalt is valued at a minimum price of \$11 per ton. The company asks what the state department intends to do to prevent this spoliation of its property.

### FOR BREAKING PAROLE.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.—Yielding to the demand of the United States, Russia has not only ordered the officers of the cruiser *Lenta* who violated their parole to return to San Francisco, but has reduced them one grade as punishment. The only excuse offered was their youth.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The announcement that the Russian government has sent the three naval officers who broke their parole and escaped from the *Lenta* at San Francisco to return to that ship, was received with gratification at the United States navy department, principally because the Admiral McCaughnay will be relieved of bridging the shore leaves of the *Lenta*'s officers and crew in future. The state department is relieved from apologizing to Japan for permitting a breach of neutrality.

The motion set forth in the indictment shows their defects on their face, that they were secured by duplicity, that the different counts charge separate and distinct offences improperly joined, that they were preured by incompetent testimony, that they were presented without declarations and statements made by one C. T. Beckwith, which ought not to have been admitted in evidence, that these statements of Beckwith were calculated to excite and engender bias and prejudice on the part of the members of the grand jury, that Beckwith's statements were contraventions of law, and were made after Mrs. Chadwick's arrest in jail, and when she had no opportunity or representation to cross-question Beckwith, and that Beckwith is now dead and an opportunity will never be presented.

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### JAPAN'S DOMESTIC LOAN.

New York, Feb. 27.—Mr. Uchida, the Japanese consul-general, received notice today that a domestic loan of \$40,000,000 was announced in Tokio today. The bonds will bear 6 per cent, will be payable in seven years, and the issue price will be 90.

### PETITIONS TO PARLIAMENT.

Toronto, Feb. 27.—At the close of the services in the Church of Christ, Cecil street, last night, a large number of those present signed a petition to parliament against the establishment of separate schools in the Northwest provinces.

### CARDS AND THE REVOLVER.

Toronto, Feb. 27.—As the result of a shooting affray over a game of cards Saturday night, Luigi Radomski is in the hospital, probably fatally injured, and Leonard Montecarlo, who did the shooting, is under arrest. Both men are Italians.

### GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Last Supply Measures at Washington Carried Total of \$31,322,259.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The general appropriation bill, the last of the annual supply measures, was completed today by the house committee on appropriations. The measure carries a total of \$31,022,259.

The Senate today passed the naval appropriation bill. The bill carries a total appropriation of \$100,300,000.

### A WICKED WOONING.

Chicago Policeman Meets Refusal to Marry With a Fatal Bullet.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 27.—Daniel Herman, a policeman, shot and instantly killed a school teacher, Miss Minnie Mulvihill, on the street today. Miss Mulvihill was a teacher in St. James parochial school. While walking home from school she was approached by Herman. The two spoke together for some time. Finally angry words were heard. Herman was seen to draw a revolver point it directly at the teacher and fire. Miss Mulvihill fell dead on the sidewalk. Herman escaped. It is said Miss Mulvihill had refused to marry Herman.

### SAN DOMINGO CONGRESS.

President Morale's Message Generally Satisfactory to Petite Republic.

San Domingo, Feb. 27.—Congress was opened in ordinary session by President Morales today. The president said the American-Dominican convention will be submitted for the approval of congress. In his message to congress President Morales recommends the establishment of civil government in the place of martial law; the enactment of sanitary laws; the opening of roads to assist agriculture; and provision for assistance to agriculturalists; he also declares that diplomatic relations between Santo Domingo and all other countries are cordial, and that quiet prevails in the republic. The message was well received.

### JAPANESE CROSS SHAKHE.

Drive in Russian Pickets, but Reinforcements Stop Advance.

Mukden, Feb. 27.—The Japanese crossed the Shakhe river last evening, having driven in the pickets of the Russian cavalry. Russian supports came and stopped the Japanese advance. On the right flank all is quiet, but the movements of the Japanese indicate an intention of attacking the Russia center, at least in the form of a demonstration.

Yesterday evening there was a violent storm of heavy and wet snow. The temperature during the night moderated.

The cause of the collapse was the decayed condition of the beams and supports of the flooring.

### THE RED CRUSADE.

Ithica, N. Y., Feb. 27.—At the invitation of President Schurman of Cornell University, Commander Miss Booth of the Salvation Army, will conduct a "red crusade" here next Sunday, when nine services will be held, the last in the evening in one of the large university buildings.

### GORKY REARRESTED.

Unfortunate Russian Released on Bail and Immediately Arrested.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.—Maxim Gorky had a short glimpse of liberty. Released on \$5,000 bail, he was immediately rearrested and conveyed to a place of confinement pending deportation to some distant city or province, where his continued residence, it is thought, will be less dangerous to the welfare of the government than it would be.

The release of M. Gorky was effected by order of Governor-General Treppoff, who after the friends of the writer had overcome obstacle after obstacle and won the grudging assent of many officials, had the magistrate adjudge him to bail. The arrest was the act of an all-powerful governor-general, who is unwilling to allow such a firebrand to be at large in the capital of which practically he is the supreme ruler.

M. Gorky knew nothing of the governor-general's decision when the doors of the cell, which had been his home for the past five weeks, swung open. His disappointment, therefore, was pitiable when just as he was passing out of the great gate of the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, he again was arrested.

### Health Has Suffered.

His appearance indicated that his health had suffered from the effects of his confinement, even though the rigors of prison life had been relaxed in his favor.

In the custody of two officers of the department of secret police, which is charged with the protection of members of the Imperial family, M. Gorky was placed in a closed carriage and conveyed to the headquarters of the secret police, in a house formerly belonging to the poet Pushkin, where he will spend the night, pending the receipt of orders assigning his place of future residence.

Disappointed as was M. Gorky at the outcome of the day's business, he has no more sad than his wife and children, who, hearing him informed of the decision to release him on bail, awaited his return home for hours.

With the Associated Press tonight visited the apartments occupied by the author's family, the windows were brilliantly lighted in honor of the anticipation of his appearance. Madame Pleisnoff was at the door of an adjoining room. She concealed her disappointment bravely when informed of the arrest of her husband, and forced herself to smile as she discussed the probable place of his exile, saying she hopes it will be in the climate is such that her husband's health will not suffer, as he did in his former exile, when he was forced to appeal for permission to change his residence to the milder climate of the Crimea.

The present operations commenced February 19, when the Japanese made a night attack on Haba pass, seven miles southeast of Tsingtschenko, positions which are far in advance of the general front of the army.

The Russians made a counter attack February 21, and temporarily gained ground, but in the evening of February 22, in the face of superior numbers, they were flanked and retired on the fortified line at Tsingtschenko. The Japanese stormed Beresof hill throughout February 23, simultaneously enveloping the Tsingtschenko positions with artillery and outflanking with Russian infantry.

The Russians evacuated Tsingtschenko February 24, and retired fighting a stubborn rear-guard action and halting at Da and the passes."

### HIS PRIVATE OPINION.

Paris, Feb. 27.—Dr. Mandelstamm, one of the Russian counsel during the North Sea enquiry, writes as follows: "Regarded from the view point of humanity alone, the commission's work has immense importance. The arbitrals' report is the result of common efforts and mutual concession to save mankind from the horrors of a general conflict." The names of the rulers and the ministers who brought it about, and of the commissioners who weighed the evidence, deserve entry in the golden book."

President Loubet entertained the North Sea commissioners and officials at lunch at the Elysee today.

## Thirteen Dead In Church Ruin

Flooring of African Methodist Mission Collapses With Fearful Results.

Congregation Awaiting Funeral Procession When Accident Occurs.

Hundreds Are Precipitated Into Basement and Many Are Mangled.

### EXTRADITION FOR FRAUD.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 27.—Governor Blaine today issued a warrant for the extradition of Louis Lauer, arrested in Pendleton, Ore., and wanted in DeWitt county, Ohio, where he is charged with sending a letter by means of which it is alleged \$6,000 was obtained by fraud from W. H. Williams of Buffalo, N. Y. Lauer, it is charged, fraudulently represented that he had eight carloads of cattle for sale.

### THE JAPANESE ADVANCE.

Kuroki Now Holds Front Extending Several Miles East of Taits.

Headquarters of General Kuroki.

Feb. 28.—The Japanese army now holds a front extending from the Hui river to several miles east of Taits.

The weather took a sudden change to day, becoming unfavorable for further operations. This morning was cloudy and in the afternoon brought a driving storm of wind and snow which was almost a blizzard. Tonight the weather is clear and cold with wind subsiding.

### A REMARKABLE VOYAGE.

British Steamer, With War Stores for Port Arthur, Has Strange Luck.

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### News of The Army and Navy

No Change This Year in Royal Engineers Stationed at Work Point.

#### JUDGMENT FOR JOHN BYRNE.

New York, Feb. 27.—Supreme Court Judge Garretson today gave judgment for the full amount and costs in favor of Major John Byrne of New York in his suit to recover \$361,465.52 from Camille Weidenfeld and Isaac H. Newcomb, trading as brokers in Wall street.

#### VERDICT OF ASPHYXIATION.

Result of Postmortem on Body of American at Naples.

Naples, Feb. 27.—The post-mortem examination on the body of Miss Catherine McCready, who was found murdered in her villa at Caserta on Saturday, shows that death was caused by asphyxiation. As yet there is no clue to the identity of Miss McCready's murderer. The lady's maid servant and the servant's father have been placed under arrest, not because of the discovery of evidence incriminating them, but in the hope that they may be able to throw some light on the tragedy.

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#### STRENUOUS PASSENGERS.

Italian Travelers Leave Cars and Attack Obstructing Strikers.

Rome, Feb. 27.—The obstructionism of railway employees adopted in lieu of a strike has led to several fights today between travelers and workmen, none of them serious. Trains having been delayed two hours at Prenestina, two miles from Rome, travelers left the cars and attacked the employees, who took refuge in the station. The travelers threatened to burn the station but were restrained by the police summoned by telegraph from this city.

In the Chamber of Deputies today Signor Tedesco, minister of public works, said it was the duty of the railroad companies to operate their properties to meet the requirements of the traveling public and added that if the companies were incompetent to perform their duties, the government would be obliged to interfere.

#### GLAD SHE DID IT.

She Borrowed the Money to Buy Samaria.

St. Henri, Dec. 17.—Gentlemen—I write you these few words to let you know that I have been very well satisfied with the Samari prescription. Although I am very poor, bought one bottle at three dollars. I had to borrow the money, so that he would not know it. I am glad to say that he stopped drinking at once. A thousand thanks.

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Y. M. C. A. Annual Meeting.—The annual meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in the Association hall this evening at 8 o'clock.

#### OF PURELY PERSONAL INTEREST

Goderich, Ont., Feb. 25.—Rev. Mr. McKay has recovered from a severe attack of throat trouble and bronchitis. Catarrhooze restored him, and everybody is talking of the wonderful cures this remedy has made. Without Catarrhooze Mr. McKay's recovery would have been doubtful.

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Look out for tomorrow's Colonist for comparative list of special goods and articles to be offered for sale during this week at the big salvage sale, 23 John-street.

#### THIRD PACIFIC SQUADRON.

Russian Ships Coal Off Cherbourg and Continue Voyage.

Cherbourg, Feb. 27.—The Russian third Pacific squadron coal off this port today, after which its voyage towards the Far East was resumed.

#### STATE SENATORS EXPelled.

Four California Statemen Accused of Bribery, Are Found Guilty.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 27.—State Senators E. J. Evans, Harry Bunkers, Eli Wright and Frank French were expelled from the senate today for an alleged receiving of bribes to aid building and loan associations. The report of the investigation recommending expulsion, was read in full and was adopted. Senator Wright was granted permission to speak in his behalf. Just before the roll was called Senator Wright made a vigorous plea for himself, declaring that he had not been given a fair hearing. His speech had no effect on his colleagues, however.

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## Parsonage Rifled And Then Fired

Residence of Pastor of Metro-politan Methodist Church Looted.

Burglar Falls to Obtain Booty  
and Thereafter Fires House  
in Three Places.

Last night the Methodist parsonage on the corner of Blanchard and Farquhar streets, the residence of Rev. G. K. Adams, pastor of the Metropolitan church, and his family, was entered by a burglar, who ransacked the house and then fired it, attempting to burn down the place, presumably enraged because he failed to find loot to carry away. The outrage occurred while Rev. Mr. Adams and his family were absent at a meeting of the Epworth League held at the Metropolitan Methodist church. They left the parsonage at 8 p.m., at 11:15 they were called by a messenger who came to tell them their house had been burglarized and was on fire. Fortunately the fire was noticed by Mr. Quagliotti, who lives near, and the fire department quickly extinguished what had threatened to be a serious conflagration. The damage will not exceed sixty dollars; and, as far as could be learned last night, little, if anything, was taken by the burglar.

Entrance to the parsonage was gained by breaking a pane of glass at a bathroom door at the rear of the house; the burglar, who evidently had waited for the minister and his family to leave for the church, had broken the glass and reached his hand to the key, which was in the lock on the inside. He then pil-

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## Naval Changes At Esquimalt

Commodore Goodrich Lowers His Flag Today—Commander Hunt Succeeds.

H.M.S. Bonaventure Leaves for China at Week End—Two Vessels Remain.

Today the flag of Commodore Goodrich, the commander at Esquimalt, will be hauled down; he and his staff will prepare to leave for home; the cruiser Bonaventure will make ready to voyage to China to join the British Far Eastern Squadron; and Commander Hunt, of the Shearwater, will hoist his flag over the station. The Shearwater will remain; the sloop-of-war is needed to carry out Britain's obligations in patrolling the Behring Sea. The Egmont will also remain; she will probably engage in hydrographic work for another vessel for which work, it is said, the Dominion government will pay. The canoe will close; other departments will shut their doors. Torpedo boats 39 and 40 will be sold, presumably to the highest tenderer.

While many of the members of the commander's staff and the time-expired members of the crews of the remaining warships will go home via the C. P. R., Commodore Goodrich and Mrs. Goodrich intend passing through the United States, sightseeing, before crossing the Atlantic. Lieut. Blacker, R. N., secretary to the commander, will proceed via the C. P. R., intending to stop at a place where his brother met death in a railway accident, and erect a monument to his brother's memory. Captain Torlesse, the new commander

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tion have from time to time been condemned and sold out of the navy, so that it will be seen that the ships comprising the Pacific squadron have been largely composed of vessels on the verge of being classified as obsolete. The complete list of vessels condemned number eleven battleships, ten armored cruisers, forty-three cruising vessels, thirty-six gunboats and torpedo-boats, twenty-two sloops, hulls, etc., representing in all a total of £17,347,705.

The admiralty are about to try a new system of breaking up condemned warships. Hitherto these ships have been sold to private firms to be broken up, but it has been suggested that the admiralty should undertake the breaking up of disused ships. This would ensure their not going out of the country and finding their way into the possession of small naval powers, who would also keep the material in the hands of the admiralty. The experiment is to be tried on the old Beagle. She was towed on Friday from Portsmouth to Preston, and will there be broken up by a private firm, under the direction of ad-

miralty surveyors. The material will then be sold, and if the plan is not found too costly all the vessels now on the sale list will be broken up under admiralty direction, instead of being sold as hitherto.

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

DIED.

CREASE—On February 27, 1905, Sir Henry Peeling Crease, Kt., eldest son of the late Captain Henry Crease, R. N., at his residence, "Pentrewe," Victoria, B. C.; aged 82 years.

The funeral will take place on Thursday, March 2, at 2:30 p. m., from the family residence, as above, and at Christ Church Cathedral, at 3 o'clock.

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At Victoria Theatre, on February 28th at 8:10 p. m.

Tickets, \$1.00, 75c, and 50c; Gallery 25c, on sales at Wait's Music Store.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Alternative Statements Made by Fire Wardens and Ald. Fullerton.

Respecting the suggestion now being put forward by the fire wardens to the effect that a full paid department should be inaugurated, the following comparative statement by Ald. Fullerton is of particular interest.

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Eight men, at ..... 55.00  
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February 28th, 1905.

## A Warm Time At The Council

Ald. Hanna Did Not See Eye to Eye With the Legislative Committee.

Recommendation That the Fire Department Be Made a Full-Paid One.

"What's the matter with Hanna?" Such was the questioning at the council board yesterday evening when that worthy alderman "turned loose" on the question of municipal amendments to be presented to the legislative committee. Ald. Hanna alleged that he had been given no opportunity to inspect the suggested amendments before they were submitted to the legislative committee. This being so, was it to be supposed that he would be a party to a base intrigue to deceive the electorate? How could he vote on what he had not seen? How could the committee ask him to endorse new what he had never heard of? What he understood to know—and this the alderman expressed in thunderous tones—was why it had never been exactly explained to the council just what was aimed at by the legislative committee?

To this Ald. Fell said that the accompanying report of the committee was prepared in the ordinary parla-

mentary way. The various amendments suggested were prepared in the usual legal phraseology and though not contained in the report proper, were available to all the aldermen.

After this passage-at-arms between the two aldermen, the city solicitor took pains to point out that the various changes suggested were purely legal ones, and matters upon which the council could have ordinarily very little knowledge.

Ald. Goddacre presided in the absence of the mayor. The deputy provincial secretary asked for certain information respecting commercial travellicences, and was referred to the city treasurer. Mr. Justice Martin protested against a change in street names affecting St. Charles Street, which was referred to the streets committee. A number of communications along similar lines will be similarly dealt with.

Arthur Garasche complained of wanton negligence by the tramway and electric light companies in respect to the handling of their wires. Referred to police commissioners with instructions that they enforce the law.

A copy of a resolution respecting school board management was forwarded by the secretary of the Vancouver board of trustees. The letter was received and filed, as the matters are already in hand.

The secretary of the Victoria school board submitted a statement, which was tabled, in which it was set forth:

That the salaries of all teachers on the staff together with the proposed disposition of the contingent \$2,000 are: High school, principal, \$1,500 per annum; three teachers at \$1,300; one at \$1,200; one at \$1,000; one at \$1,000; one at \$900; and one at \$900; \$8,340 Boys' school: Principal, \$1,200; one at \$1,000; one at \$750; one at \$720; one at \$650; one at \$620; three at \$600; and one at \$540—\$8,000. Girls' school: Principal, \$1,200; one at \$850; two at \$830;

two at \$650; one at \$630; and three at \$600—\$7,440. North Ward: Principal, \$1,200; one at \$830; one at \$750; one at \$730; one at \$700; one at \$680; one at \$650; one at \$630; one at \$600; one at \$570—\$5,910. Victoria West: Principal, \$1,200; one at \$800; two at \$570; and one at \$540—\$5,910. Victoria East: Principal, \$1,200; one at \$830; one at \$750; one at \$730; one at \$700; one at \$680; one at \$650; one at \$630; and two at \$570—\$5,910. Hillside: Principal, \$1,200; one at \$830; and one at \$750—\$5,910. City Superintendent, \$1,860. For substitutes \$1,000. Increased salaries, \$300; additional teachers, \$1,000. Total, \$60,000. For janitors, the amount required is \$4,400; for repairs, \$4,100; for fuel, \$2,000; for furniture, \$750; insurance, \$1,000; for supplies, \$2,200; for board expenses, \$1,450; and for incidental expenses, \$1,400—or a grand total for all board requirements for the year of \$77,000.

A letter from Cassidy & Dumbleton, respecting foreshore rights in the upper harbor, was referred to the streets committee. The letter explained that the Taylor Mill Company have already, by reason of the fact that their line of bulkhead faces west as well as north, a longer and more accessible waterfront than their clients, whereas the only waterfront their clients have is at Kelly's wharf, therefore, if they have suggestions to make by way of varying proposals, they shall be pleased to give them fullest consideration.

A letter was received from the fire underwriters urging the inauguration of a full paid fire department. This was left over until the consideration of the estimates. A question of the workmen's wages was referred to the city engineer for report. Herbert Cuthbert, whose little child was in the isolation hospital with scarlet fever, wrote expressing appreciation of the kindness shown by the nursing staff. The Fernwood Municipal Association forwarded resolutions passed at the initial meeting of that organization, and which were referred to the streets committee. C. W. Hills, on behalf of residents on Heywood Avenue, asked for more lights, and that the same be turned on earlier in the evening. A Duncan et al., of St. James street, asked for certain improvements on that thoroughfare. Numerous sites offered for the proposed new Old Men's Home were submitted to a committee for report.

The fire warden submitted a recommendation to the effect that the present system of part permanent men and part call men be abandoned; and that a fully paid system be adopted. The change will entail an extra cost of \$2,200, but will reduce the cost of insurance to the public. This was tabled until the estimates are taken up.

The finance committee recommended the adoption of accounts amounting to \$10,480.70. Adopted.

On the question of the municipal committee's report coming up, Ald. Stewart objected to several matters in the report; it contained many things which every member should deal with in the usual way, and this had not been done. Ald. Fullerton said he also had been surprised that this report had been adopted as a whole without mature consideration. The report should not go forward as one voice in the council and should be reconsidered.

Ald. Fell explained that a meeting was held about a month ago, and certain amendments were not dealt with again. Ald. Fullerton was present on that occasion and had uttered no objections to the amendment. If there were any recommendations in the bill which the council did not like, he would certainly move to reconsider them with clarity.

In reply to this, Ald. Stewart said he had been misled into supposing that only two matters had been dealt with in the report. He thought the council should have every clause read over before they were asked to vote on the question. Ald. Hanna expressed great indignation at the fact that the report contained only three items, while the major portions of the proposed amendments had not come under the observation of the council.

After the city solicitor had explained the intent of the various suggested individual amendments, Ald. Hanna's resolution looking to the readjustment of the ward system, passed. The council then adjourned.

## B. C. Southern Land Grant

Survey of the Deficiency Blocks Granted to the Canadian Pacific Railway.

To Be Discussed by Representative Associated Boards of Trade.

Mr. J. A. Harvey of Fort Steele is in the city to convey with representatives, unclaimed, resolutions passed by the Associated Kootenay Board of Trade to the local government. Speaking of his mission at the Diard night, Mr. Harvey said that some time ago a previous government granted a couple of blocks of land, known as 4,590 and 4589, to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, to supply deficiencies in the land grant of the B. C. Southern railway. These blocks it is claimed were not completely surveyed, and it is now held that the C. P. R. in appropriating the lands, are running the lines farther east than they were in the original survey. The associated boards ask that this matter be investigated by the government, and if there is anything wrong, that a remedy be effected or the grant cancelled.

The resolutions ask also that fruit inspectors be placed at different entry points on the boundary, to strengthen the system of inspection. It seems that much imported fruit now escapes examination because all the points of entry are not covered.

There is another point, said Mr. Harvey, of more or less local application, namely that East Kootenay should be made a separate judicial district. Under present conditions there is one court for the whole Kootenay country. The population is growing and naturally the amount of work is increasing to such an extent that the appointment of another judge is necessary. In the opinion of the associated boards, it would be better to have a separate judicial district for East Kootenay with a resident judge there. At present there is none nearer than Nelson.

Recommendation will also be made that provincial aid should be granted to the municipality of Victoria, was also heard. They submitted a number of proposed amendments concerning the regulating construction of buildings.

They also suggested the closing of the voter lists a week earlier than the date set by law, so that they might be got into print before election day; also that a man doing business in the city and residing outside should have the right to enrolment on the list. These amendments were taken into consideration.

After the withdrawal of the delegations, discussion ensued concerning the suggestion that those doing business in the city and residing outside, should have the right to be enrolled as voters.

After subsequent discussion, the proposed expropriation clause in regard to municipal control of telephone systems and such like was rescinded.

The clause conferring power upon municipalities to construct and operate such utilities, was also rescinded, with a proviso that the question be laid over for one year.

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**Sir Henry Crease Passes Away**

Veteran Jurist of British Columbia Goes to His Long Rest.

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At "Pentrele," Cadboro Bay road, the family residence, there passed away yesterday morning, Sir Henry Perling Peleve Crease, a recent prominent member of the judiciary and a pioneer resident of the colony. He died in his 80th year, having been almost entirely confined to the house. His demise was therefore not unexpected. He leaves to mourn his loss a widow, three daughters and two sons, to whom is extended the sympathy of many friends and acquaintances, and, indeed, of the entire community.

With respect to the latter," said he, "there is a delegation of lumbermen from the district now in the city, of which I am also a member, which is asking this government to make timber limits more reasonable. For a period of twenty-one years, if the extension is granted, as it will be, the lumbermen propose to pay 60 cents per thousand cords instead of 50 cents at present, thus giving the province 20 per cent more revenue from this source. Lumbering operations are now conducted on a larger scale than formerly. Initial investments represent from one to two hundred thousand dollars, and the necessity of having licenses renewed from year to year is a great inconvenience in financing such enterprises. While, as a matter of policy, the government never refuses renewal, bankers are inclined to look at it in a different way."

Mr. Harvey said that he understood this matter would be decided by the government today.

FISHERMEN MISSING.

Boat in Which They Started for Victoria Washed Ashore at Mill Bay.

Two fishermen who set sail from Cowichan for Victoria during the gale of Friday the 17th, in a strongly-built Columbia river fishing boat, are believed to have been drowned. The boat in which they set sail was washed ashore on Tuesday last at Wilfison's ranch at Mill Bay, and no trace has been found of the fisherman nor even occupants of the craft. The names of the two men were not learned, though it is understood that one was known as "Louis the Fisherman," he being of short stature, while his companion was a tall man. The boat, which has since come ashore, was marked H. A. 635 at the bow, while at the stern was F. 10. It is now on the beach at the Mill Bay ranch.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Quite a number of Mainland delegates arrived last night to attend the meeting of the Farmers' Institute today. Their names and the institutes they represent are: Mr. De Hart, Osoyoos; Donald Matheson, Shalalth; James Evans, Okanagan; Andrew Noble, Kamloops; N. T. Baker, Kent; W. J. Harris, Maple Ridge; J. Brandt, Burrard; M. Gillanders, Chilliwack; W. Towlaw, Matsqui; H. Harris, sens., Langley; Samuel Shannon, Surrey; A. D. Paterson, Delta.

The convention will open at 11 o'clock a.m. in the room of the deputy minister of agriculture. Two or more sittings will be held each day until the business is concluded.

The following, among other propositions, are stated for consideration:

That the spring meeting of the institute be held in March instead of April; that spraying of orchards be made compulsory and that fees for service should be licensed and inspected; that the minister of education allow the use of school houses for institute meetings where other places are not available.

In addition the convention will consider proposed amendments to the School Act, and in this connection will discuss a proposal with reference to High schools, that the pupils shall have the choice between the commercial, scientific and art courses, instead of being compelled to study all three branches. The questions of pure seeds, cheap powder, good roads and other matters will also be dealt with.

ACTION RESCINDED.

Representations were heard by the municipal committee yesterday morning with respect to amendments proposed to legislation affecting matters of municipal concern.

On behalf of the B. C. Telephone Company, Mr. William Farrell was present, and received a hearing in regard to the proposal to allow municipalities to construct and operate telephone systems, water powers and other utilities, an amendment embodying this power having passed at a previous meeting of the committee, and in addition thereto an amendment empowering the expropriation of such utilities.

One point taken by Mr. Farrell against the amendments was that such legislation would interfere with the flotation of bonds for the financing in connection with new work and recent extensions of the company's system. There would be no particular objection to the matter being taken up next year, from the company's standpoint, but at the present stage of operations the passage of the amendments might constitute a serious handicap. As for the proposed expropriation clause, it might be that municipalities would expropriate all the paying parts of the system and leave the tare ends, between the various municipalities, in the hands of the company.

A delegation consisting of Ald. Fell and the city solicitor, representing the municipality of Victoria, was also heard. They submitted a number of proposed amendments concerning the regulating construction of buildings.

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Speaking generally of the progress of events in his part of the country, Mr. Harvey said that outside of the silver lead mining at North Star, lumbering is their great industry, and this is rather quiet,

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DEATH OF SIR HENRY CREASE.

The death of Sir Henry Dering Pelling Crease removes another of the pioneers of British Columbia from our midst. For many years he was a prominent figure in the province, and so familiar that it is quite unnecessary to refer at any length to his career, so fittingly culminating with knighthood. He had the distinction of being Attorney-General successively for the old colony of British Columbia and the colony after the union, and sitting in both Legislatures. In his position as Attorney-General and leader of the bar, he took a leading part in the revision of the laws of the colony. He was an advocate of Confederation and had the honor of opening the debate on Confederation which led to the adoption of Terms of Union taken by the British Columbia delegates to Ottawa for consideration there. Just at the time of Confederation he was appointed senior puisne judge, in which position he led an active career until 1896, when he had an honorable retirement.

## STATES WELL REPRESENTED.

Considering that less than a month has elapsed since the costly buildings erected by several States at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition were razed and carted away for old lumber, it is remarkable to note, says a letter on the subject, that liberal appropriations are being made almost daily, for the erection of similar, and as costly temporary structures, at the Lewis and Clark Exposition.

With the exception of one or two north Central States, all of the States are to participate in the exposition, and it is expected that an extensive exhibit will be made by the Southern States collectively. Eastern States have been almost unanimous in their hearty approval of Oregon's enterprising Centennial.

With a few exceptions, in every instance where appropriations have been made, they were later deemed insufficient, and steps taken toward providing for larger amounts. Exclusive of the state appropriations, the largest is that of the United States government, which amounts to \$475,000. Taking the initiative among the States, Oregon appropriated \$450,000. Oregon's appropriation averages almost \$1 for every man, woman and child in the state. This is considerably in excess of any allotment ever made by a state of the same size as Oregon. However, inasmuch as Oregon has no state debt and is constantly increasing her population, she is better able to make so large an appropriation, and for this reason the extent of her participation is not in the least surprising. An additional \$475,000 was raised by the exposition company among the people of Portland in two days, making the total participation by the state \$925,000.

California, the Golden State, follows with an appropriation of \$90,000. Washington is next with an allotment of \$75,000. There is, however, a vigorous movement on foot to have the appropriation increased to \$150,000, and latest reports would indicate that the agitation will be successful. New York, within whose boundaries little interest seemed to manifest in an exposition thousands of miles away, has acknowledged the importance of the Lewis and Clark Exposition by making a liberal appropriation of \$35,000. And this amount is likely to be increased to \$100,000.

North Dakota and Massachusetts alike have appropriated \$15,000. In the latter state, an additional amount of \$10,000 is asked for. Utah, Idaho, Montana and Missouri have each appropriated \$10,000. Missouri at first asked for an additional allotment of \$20,000, but this demand has been increased to \$35,000. Utah contemplates increasing her appropriation to \$30,000. Idaho discovered that her appropriation of \$10,000 was not sufficient, and is working for an increase of \$15,000. Montana will increase her assignment to \$15,000. There are at present the following appropriations pending in other States:

Minnesota, \$15,000; Pennsylvania, \$60,00; Illinois, \$25,000, and Wisconsin, \$50,000.

Many of the commonwealths will erect some state buildings. Twelve of these structures are under course of construction and in nearly every instance they will present some building characteristic of the state's history.

Considering the interest of British Columbia in the holding of the Lewis and Clark Fair, we are glad to give prominence to the foregoing details and to know that the Portland exposition is likely to be a great success.

## A RISE IN PROVINCIAL SECURITIES.

It is satisfactory to note that there has been a substantial rise in British Columbia securities of late. On the 15th of January British Columbia inscribed stock was quoted at 85 cents to 85 1/4. On the 14th of February it was quoted in London papers just to hand at 86 1/2 to 87 1/2. This, we will not say, is the result of the improvement in our Provincial finances; but it shows a decided improved feeling in London with regard to British Columbia affairs.

## DO WE WANT THEM?

A systematic effort is being made in London to induce the emigration of the unemployed, of whom there is an immense number, to Canada and other of the colonies. We see the names of Lord Brassey and one or two more of equal prominence connected with one of the societies supporting the movement, and regarding the good motives of these gentlemen not a question can be raised. In a letter to the press they state that only the best and most promising of the poor are being selected, and that during the past year 674 were sent to Canada. Only five per cent of these failed to do well.

It is true that 674 is a very small number to take out of London's millions, and not many to add to the population of Canada. It represents, however, only the work of one society, and there are others at work as well. The question is, can we look after a very large number of these people? Certainly we cannot in British Columbia, where the difficulty of finding employment for immigrants of most classes is very great as it is. Conditions in Canada are not so bad as they are in London in a sense; but they are very different. Few of such, except those skilled in certain lines, can find employment for which they are suited. They cannot work on the farm, or in the woods, or in the fisheries or in the mines. In time they can learn to do these things, but, as a rule, employers would prefer to pay good wages to men able and who know how to work in preference to teaching men who are so ill adapted to learn. Under such circumstances it would be a mistake to induce many such persons to come to Canada, and more especially to British Columbia.

## BUYING BACK THE LAND.

The proposal to buy back the E. & N. Railway land grant has been much discussed; and the feeling is more or less general that if the province has not too much to pay for it that is that the wisest move the government could possibly make. Respecting the price, we are not in a position to enlighten the public, but have been assured that Mr. Dunsmuir is willing to take an amount equal to what he has now an offer from a private corporation, which he is likely to accept. We think it would be a mistake if the present state of things should be continued by a transfer to another corporation. A private monopoly of 1,500,000 acres on the Island of Vancouver has been, is now and will, as long as it exists, continue to be a running sore on the body politic. The real disadvantages may not be as great as they have been made to appear; but, in the most favorable light, the situation created is always a source of complaint and dissatisfaction. Certainly under private control there is not the inducement to prospect for minerals or to buy and develop land suitable for agriculture, and, as we have already intimated, the fact of it being under private control is a source of public discontent in itself. It may have been a mistake in the first instance, and probably was, to have parted with so much of the public domain. That cannot now be helped. The land is worth what it will cost. There can be no doubt about that, otherwise private parties would not now be anxious to purchase it for the price at which it is offered to the government. We consider, therefore, it would be a great mistake to allow the opportunity to pass without a deal being consummated which would place back in the possession and control of the province the land now in possession of the E. & N. Railway Company.

## THE SCHOOL BILL.

Pascal says "The incredulous are the most credulous. They believe the miracles of Vespaean in order not to believe those of Moses." This is applicable, in a sense, to the opponents of the McBride Government. They state there is not a surplus and deplore the fact, and yet they condemn any effort made to increase revenue to a point where it will meet expenditure. The school bill is an instance of this. It is admitted that the expenditure for schools is very large and still on the increase. It is admitted, too, that a sufficient share of the burden of expense is not borne by those directly benefited by the schools. And yet a measure calculated to reduce the expense to the Province and more equitably apportion it among those who reap the direct benefit, is denounced as another form of unjust taxation. There is no doubt that the school measure will not be popular; but it has long been apparent that the time must soon come when the present system would be changed. Every step taken for the past fifteen years has been in the direction of decentralizing the control of schools, and as one up-country paper remarks, the bill now before the House will have the effect of the people of the Province generally paying more attention to the subject now that the cost will come more directly upon them. It is one of the conditions, too, which enters into the case of the Province for "distinct and separate relief" asked for unanimously by the Provincial Legislature.

## SALARIES OF COUNTY COURT JUDGES.

An agitation has arisen in the East in the press to have salaries of the County Court judges increased over what they are at the present time. It is pointed out that the salary of a Judge in Ontario in 1873 was \$2,800 per annum. Notwithstanding that the price of living has greatly increased, the salaries are today lower than they were then. It is stated that the judges of the Maritime Provinces many years ago made a demand to be placed on the same basis as the Ontario judges. The problem was solved by cutting down the latter, and down they have remained ever since. The arguments in favor of Eastern judges apply with much more force in British Columbia, because the conditions of living are much more expensive here than there. It is true, to equalize matters somewhat, that the British Columbia Legislature has been in the habit of voting to each County Court Judge \$500 for acting in the capacity of stipendiary magistrates. That British Columbia should

be obliged to practically make good this amount is unfair to the Province. The Dominion Government should pay a decent salary in the East and pay a proportionately higher salary in this Province, having in view the difference in conditions of living.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

## TRADES UNIONS.

Sir—After reading the evidence of the Union label case in the police court, and having had experience with unions, it is a wonder to me how any employer of labor will recognize the right of a trade union to exist. Unions exist clearly to the dangers of trades unions, which may be all right in themselves; but they may be used by an individual to further his own personal ends, and when conditions are ripe for the unions to hold up the almost sure conviction.

I believe in fair wages, but it certainly is not right for any employer to be open to the attack of some questionable demagogue who generally makes it his business to raise trouble, and who is a ruse held in contempt by his fellow unionists.

## CAUTION.

## THAT LAND GRANT.

Sir—After feeling the pulse of the community for some time without very satisfactory results, the G. T. P. Company issued an "order" that all land be intended to force the people of British Columbia to set apart public lands, as a species to the projected railway.

New sir, when the Dominion government in the name of the people of Canada made the existing contract with the G. T. P. Company, the province of British Columbia contributed its full share of the costs to the company.

Why then, then, this demand for a further subsidy?

The fact is, there is no more reason for a special land grant from British Columbia than there would be for land grants from the provincial government to the railway.

Would a proposal for land grants be entertained by Manitoba or New Brunswick? I think not! Then it should not be entertained by British Columbia.

In order to secure a share of the freight business to and from the Orient, the G. T. P. Company will use all possible expediency in the construction of its road, without the slightest regard to the stimulus of a land grant from British Columbia. The people should insist that no land, beyond the usual right-of-way, shall pass into the hands of the G. T. P. Company.

What is the cost of a land grant? What would it cost to the railway? One good reason for a land grant may be that the party to have taken was that the interests of the country, especially British Columbia, demanded the construction of the railway in the shortest possible time. They should have said that while they did not approve of the arrangement, they nevertheless accepted it, and that the party to whom the railway was given was entitled to the same compensation as the party to whom the railway was given.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

Templars Meet.—The Royal Templars of Temperance meet in A. O. U. W. hall tonight at 8 o'clock, for the transaction of important business.

Bar Association Meeting.—There will be a meeting of the Victoria Bar Association at the courthouse at 4 o'clock this afternoon, to arrange for a suitable expression of sympathy to the family of the late Sir Henry P. P. Crease.

Police Court.—Yesterday but one of fender stood in the police court dock, a colored gentleman named Moore. He was accused of vagrancy and admitted it. The magistrate remanded the case until today—a tacit hint that the room occupied by Mr. Moore in the local atmosphere was more desirable than the same Moore.

Social at Sidney.—The social held in the new Methodist parsonage at Sidney tomorrow evening is being looked forward to with most pleasurable anticipations by the residents of the terminal town and of the contiguous district. An informal programme, with parlor games and refreshments will be the order of the evening's entertainment.

The Chinese Case.—The case in which Wong Ah Lam and Goo Duck are accused of perpetrating themselves in connection with the recent murder trial arising out of the death of a Chinatown theatre manager a year ago—a case which has resulted in a legal strife in which Mr. George Powell, counsel for the private prosecutors of the two men, is arrayed against the attorney-general—will be resumed in the police court tomorrow morning.

Big Lumbering Plan.—In the last issue of the B. C. Lumberman there appeared the following item: "Mr. Allen McLeod left Vancouver this month for Campbell river, Vancouver Island. He has a contract from an American company to take out 26,000,000 feet of timber from a reserve on Campbell river. The operations to be carried on there will be the largest in the province." Prominent local lumbermen, spoken to by a Colonial reporter about the above, said they saw no difficulty in the company carrying out its outlined plans, notwithstanding the export duty. It was pointed out that the Chemainus Milling Company is already engaged in exploiting the export business; and that the theory was advanced that it would probably be found more profitable to handle timber from Vancouver Island in the manner suggested, paying the export duty, to winning the timber limits of Washington by means of an expensive railway to far inland limits.

Don't forget that your day's business is not completed until you have called upon Alex. Peden and examined his beautiful new stock of fancy worsted suitings. An examination of these means that you will make your selection for your spring suit.

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Water Sets at Cheapside.

See the new semi-ready suits at \$12, \$15, \$18 and \$20. Trousers at \$4, \$5 and \$6. B. Williams & Co.

McClary's famous Stoves and Stove Ranges at Clarke & Pearson's, 17 Yates street.

Try Hartley's Butter Toffee. 74 Yates street.

100 half price suits, sizes 36 to 44, to be cleared this week. B. Williams & Co.

50 cases boys' school suits at \$1.50, \$2.50 and \$3.00. Norfolk cut. Just opened. B. Williams & Co.

There are still some very choice bargains in Weller Bros.' showrooms adorned with a Red Tag. Take another look round, you may find something that you really need and save considerably on your purchase.

Trevor Dean & Hitchcock's Marvelous Rheumatic Liniment.

Shipments of semi-ready suits and trousers arriving daily. B. Williams & Co.

Cheap Reading.—We are clearing out a lot of 75¢ paper books at 25¢ each, five for one dollar. Pick out the good ones before they go. Victoria Book and Stationery Co., Limited.

Notice the sale of fancy goods at Mrs. H. Adams, 78 Douglas.

200 pairs pants to be cleared at half price this week. B. Williams & Co.

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## SPORTING NEWS.

## BASEBALL.

Professional baseball is to be a go in Victoria during the season of 1905. It has been taken up with enthusiasm by the right people, and as a factor in the new Northwestern League Victoria will not be left out. The local enthusiasts got together yesterday, and started the wheels in motion. There was a meeting which was short and businesslike. It was decided to form a stock company and proceed in strictly business-like fashion. \$1,000 worth of stock was taken and there subscribed as the necessary forfeit deposit, which means that the bridges have been burned and there is no retreat.

Two of the local promoters of the game were then named as a committee to call meetings, discussions, and they will get busy at once today. There can be little doubt in the minds of those who have carefully worked out the proposition, that professional ball can be made to pay here this season—to pay its way financially, to pay big dividends as a means of profit, and to pay the city, the advertising public, and to pay the city, your handsomely as a means of civic advertisement and an attraction to visitors from the American side. It is herein that it deserves especial encouragement from the business community.

## ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

**League Meeting.** A meeting of the Island league will be held in the Y.M.C.A. hall this evening to consider the protests entered by the Victoria United and Eggers teams.

## District League Next Week.

The annual meeting of the district association will be held next Monday.

## An English Match.

The Editor—Will you kindly say on behalf of the North Ward Junior Rugby team that as they have withdrawn from the league for good reasons, that they can have defeated no games, and that the league consists of the South Park, Central and Collegiate teams.

L. TAIT.

## Seattle Beats Tacoma.

The following article from the Seattle Post-Intelligencer is sent to the Americans think of Association football:

Twenty-two brawny Englishmen and Swedes, six inches of the ooziest mud and a combination of close harmony costumes were the leading features of the Association football game yesterday afternoon between Tacoma and Seattle. The whistle for the blowing of the whistle to the end of the second half the game was hotly contested, both teams making an excellent showing, the score ending 4-2 in favor of Seattle.

The field was a sea of soft mud, which was freely applied to the players in their fierce animosity. Pools of water were present everywhere, which served as beds for the entangled contestants in the mix-ups.

The game opened promptly on time with the visitors occupying the north goal. The first few minutes of play was of a mere farce order, the ball being kicked about in small circles by the confused jumble of players. After a three-minute period, the ball was placed between the Tacoma goal posts. This feat was repeated six minutes later after a series of fierce scrimmages.

More games were made in the early stages, the Tacomas using their head-butting tactics with wonderful success, creating great merriment among the spectators. One other goal was made by the locals near the close of the thirty-five minute half after a long succession of close and tight games.

The second half was opened with Tacoma occupying the south goal, a decided advantage, as it was up-hill work for Seattle to make a ringer. The visitors started off with a rush, and after eight minutes of steady passes broke the tie through Seattle, who scored their first goal, Seattle followed with their last goal soon after, making the score 4-1. The visitors braced up finely and four minutes later added another by a clean break through Gooch, the goalkeeper. From then to the close of the game the hours were even, the ball being passed rapidly in the center of the field as the whistle blew.

The lineup was as follows:

Tacoma—Gifford, goal; White and Wilson, fullback; Mawer, Trevor and McPherson, halfbacks; Mawer, Trevor and McPherson, right and left forwards; Pritchard, captain, and fullbacks; Smith, Barnes and Clark, left forwards; Ross and E. Williams, right forwards; Waddell, center.

## BASKETBALL.

## Victorians in Dawson.

Basketball enthusiasts were pleased to hear of the arrival of former well known Victorians in Dawson. Mike Finnigan, Milton Douglas, Macdonald and others are now members of the Victorians. The first game between the Violets and Polars resulted in a victory for the latter, 7 to 3, but on the second occasion the Violets turned the tables and won by 9 to 4.

## LACROSSE.

## Executive Meeting.

A meeting of the executive of the Victoria Lacrosse Club will be held in Frank Stevenson's office tomorrow evening at 7:45.

## Mr. A. Brown,

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Mr. Alfred Brown, 91 O'Connor Street, Ottawa, Ont., pronounced incurable by physicians, was cured by Paine's Celery Compound. He says:

"I acknowledge with thankfulness and pleasure the fact that I have been cured of a very painful illness of eight years' standing due to use of Paine's Celery Compound. I had during the years of my illness tried almost every kind of medicine without deriving any good results. I was also treated by several of the best doctors of this city, hoping to find that one of them at least would understand my case."

"I was getting worse, and was told I was incurable. I was indeed in a critical condition. I could not go from the house alone, as I was liable to sudden collapse. I tried hospital treatment, but no relief or good results came to me. I could not sleep; anything that I ate increased my agonies; I was extremely weak, restless, tired and despondent; was obliged to walk about with my hands pressed firmly into my left side to ease my pains; my feet and hands were cold continually; had inclination to vomit, had profuse cold sweats, quick breathing and would be racked with pain for hours at a time."

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contains all the lung-healing virtues of the pine tree, and is a sure cure for Coughs, Colds, and all throat and lung troubles. Miss Bertha E. Craig, Almont, Ont., says:—"Last fall, for over two months, I had a very bad cold, and although I tried several remedies, it seemed as if I was getting worse instead of better. While looking over the Burdock Blood Bitters Almanac, I read about Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, and decided to give it a trial. When I had used about half a bottle, I found it was doing me good, so kept on until I had taken two bottles. It is the best cure for a cold I ever heard of."

Price 25 cents per Bottle.  
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## GOLF.

## United Service Golf Club.

The ladies' medal competition play for February will take place today. There will be a prize presented by the club in addition to the medal.

ST. MARY'S  
The Victoria golfers returned from their yesterday afternoon's match with Seattle, the visitors resulted in an even break, Seattle winning the singles and Victoria the foursomes. The results were as follows: Singles—Newton, Seattle, beat Combe, Victoria, 5 up and 3 to play; Munro, Seattle, beat Davidson, Victoria; Strotz, Seattle, beat Prior, Victoria; Collins, Seattle, beat Innes, Victoria; Gillison, Seattle, beat Ward, Victoria; Wagner, Seattle, beat Jones, Victoria; Lowman, Seattle, beat Rutherford, Victoria; Hunt, Victoria, beat Randolph, Seattle; Ramsell, Seattle, beat Rhodes, Victoria; Amberg, Seattle, beat Parsons, Combe and Davidson, Victoria, beat Newton and Munn, Seattle; Strotz and Fisher, Seattle, beat Prior and Creese, Victoria; Irwin and Ward, Victoria, beat Collins and Gillison, Seattle; Jones and Rutherford, Victoria; Hunt and Rhodes, Victoria, beat Ramsell and Randolph, Seattle.

THE RIFLE.

## Good Shooting.

Some good shooting was done by the cadets in their regular weekly gallery practice at the drill hall, as the following scores indicate: Burgess 24; H. E. Elford 21; Matthews 23; A. E. Hartman 21; Elford 21; Mathews 20; R. Hartman 19; Taylor 19; Macrae 19; Rollin 18; H. Rogers 18; Boyd 18; Whittier 18; Moss 18; Edwards 17; C. Rogers 17; Kent 17; Gowen 17; Angus 17; Hanbury 17; Sargis 16; Watson 16; Booth 16; Raynor 15; Trace 14; King 14; Grelgson 14; McDonald 13; Wilby 13; Collett 13; Beckwith 13. The possible was 23.

THE RING.

## Betting Is Against Corbett.

San Francisco, Feb. 27.—The betting on the result of the 20-round bout between Young Corbett and Battling Cooney tomorrow night has risen to \$100,000 to \$1 against Corbett, who is to secure even money if he wins.

Seattle Anderson, goal; Cameron (captain) and Irons, fullbacks; Smith, Barnes and Peeling, halfbacks; A. Williams and Clark, left forwards; Ross and E. Williams, right forwards; Waddell, center.

THE RIFLE.

## Gotch Won.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 22.—Champion Wrestler Frank Gotch, who has been racing for ring laurels and has even been touted as a possible opponent for Jeffries, was given a tryout in the semi-lightweight contest here the other day. He met Sam Williams, who fought with a punch, from Canada in what was to have been a ten-round bout, and copped him in half that time. The battle took place before a select crowd of experts in the Buffalo gymnasium.

At its conclusion the sharp declared Gotch is at the present time good enough to tackle any lightweight, barring Fitzgeralds and Jeffries.

The two fellows had milled four and a half rounds when suddenly Williams weakened. The fifth round was nearly over when Gotch hooked a short jolt to Williams' jaw. Over topped the Canadian. In falling, Williams' weight was on his right arm, which twisted under him, spraining the arm. The gong rang before he had time to get up.

When Williams responded to the call of time for the sixth round it was apparent his arm was hurt. Instructor Jack Krelger, who acted as referee, would not allow Williams to continue. Williams could not raise his arms.

But those who witnessed the match agreed Gotch would have won before the tenth round were up, because he was easily the stronger and seemed to be hitting his best before putting Williams away.

All through the fight Gotch showed that he possessed good hitting powers. He landed with both hands, and was exceedingly shifty on his feet in avoiding leads.

Gotch made his chief play for the body, occasionally hooking Williams on the head, and once sawed him off, causing Williams to drop to the floor.

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CLOSING PRICES.

New York, Feb. 27.—Almond Copper 70¢; 35¢; Anemone 10s 4d; A. T. & S. F. 90¢; pfd 130¢; Ann Smelting 90¢; Ann Car Fly 55¢; Anemone 107½; A. T. & S. F. 90¢; pfd 102½; B. & O. 107½; pfd 97½; B. R. T. 63¢; C & A. 42¢; C. P. R. 140½; C. & O. 51½; N. W. & W. 24½; St. P. 174½; Colo Sou 25½¢; D. & R. 62½; Gen. Gas 200½; Gen. Elec. 174½; Del. & Hudson 100½; D. & R. G. Rd 88; Duluth 100½; Gen. Elec. 187; Jersey Central 200½; Nas 140½; Man 172½; Mo Pac 109½; M. St. & S. S. Ste 114½; Erie 46½; N. Y. & C. 121½; N. Y. C. H. 158½; Erie 46½; N. Y. & C. 144½; Pissel Steel 35½; Poor 108½; Phila & Reading 95%; pfd 92; Pullman 244; Rhode Island Cents 30½; Sou Ry 35%; pfd 104½; T. C. & I. 102½; Sou Ry 72½; Tex Pac 37½; Twin City 107½; U. S. Leather 122½; pfd 104½; U. S. Steel 35½; pfd 95½; U. S. Rubber 100½; pfd 133½; Westinghouse 163½; Wisconsin Cent 24½; Westinghouse 163½; C. P. R. in London 142½; Mac. 103½; and 43; pfd 75½ and 75.

MONEY MARKETS.

New York, Feb. 27.—Prime mercantile paper 3½ to 4½ per cent. Sterling Exchange heavy at \$4.80 75 to .80 for sixty days. Posted rates \$4.85½ to \$4.87½ to \$4.88. Commercial bills \$4.84½. Mexican peso 140½. Government bonds firm. Railroad bonds irregular.

London, Feb. 27.—Consols for money 91 1½; for account 91½.

METAL MARKETS.

London, Feb. 27.—Lead £12 5s. New York lead 4s 14½.

London, Feb. 27.—Local copper stocks were soft in tone today, and the close heavy.

HOW ALL MEN ARE BORN EQUAL.

Saturday Evening Post.

The woman born beautiful doesn't bother to educate her intelligence, is spoilt by dattery, is unable to hold the men she attracts; the woman born homely is driven to develop her character and her mind, and so more than overcomes her handicap and against her better sister. The man born "slow" develops his wits too, and has no incentive to that sustained effort which alone achieves success; the man born "slow" develops patience, assiduity, balance, and, best of all, tenacity.

It comes now to being a universal rule that strong parents and weak ones just about even each other. In my opinion, the best at the start, and that the development is a matter for the man himself to determine. And there is no fatal handicap except the deposition to regard one's handicap as fatal.

After the regular use of Paine's Celery Compound for a time, am now in the best of health, have good appetite and can use any kind of food. Thanks God I am my old self once more all through the use of Paine's Celery Compound."

WRESTLING.

## A Good Exhibition.

The wrestling exhibition at the Savoy last night between Mr. Carkeek and his companion, J. E. Carlton, proved good. Catch-as-catch-can style was chosen, and Mickey Welch acted as referee. Carkeek gained a fall in eight minutes. Tonight two soldiers will try conclusions with Carkeek, and some first class wrestling action. Carkeek is a remarkably light and anyone who can stay with him fifteen minutes will well deserve the \$25 offered.

## MUSIC AND DRAMA.

Eminently successful rehearsals were held yesterday for the farewell concert by the men of the navy at the Victoria theatre. An evening in aid of that worthy institution, the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home. The Gibson tableaux in particular delighted those privileged to witness them, and the charming skirt dance of Mrs. Lester's pupils was also very much admired. Special new scenery has been painted for the tableaux of the "Death of Nelson." The death of the "Victory" is most accurately represented, and the sailors have even placed the rigging and set sail on their ship. The parties of seamen and marines of H. M. S. Bonaventure, who are to perform musical items, have been exercising night and day at Esquimalt, and will give a brilliant exhibition, which in smartness and precision, will excel anything of the sort previously seen in Victoria. Mrs. Macdonald has been at great pains to render her tableau of "John of Arc" in every way historically correct; general interest attaches to the appearance of Miss Brady as "John of Arc" and Miss Ethel Tilton as "St. Catherine." The fine vocalists whose names appear on the programme have all promised not to disappoint the public, so that this should be one of the very best concerts ever given in Victoria. All the world and his wife will be present.

Arion Club Concert.

At the Institute hall tomorrow evening the second concert of the Arion Club's thirteenth season will be given, the club presenting several new and pleasing old favorites, and saving for this concert the assistance of Mrs. D. E. Campbell (soprano soloist), Miss Miles (violinist), and Mrs. William R. Hedley (violinist), conductor of the Seattle symphony orchestra. Mr. Hedley is himself a Canadian—a native of Nova Scotia, whence he went to spend his early life in Toronto. He went as a very young man to Germany for his musical education, his first master of the violin being Naish, in Gotha. Afterwards he studied in Leipzig, where he obtained the diploma of the Conservatory of that city. He has now made Seattle his home, having spent three years, and is a special favorite there and recognized as the leading violinist of the city. Chiefly through his instrumentality a fine symphony orchestra has been organized there, of which he is leader. The concerts given by this society are the chief musical events of the neighbor Sound city. It may be interesting to British Columbians to know that Mr. Hedley is a member of a well-known Canadian family which has become closely identified with this province, his brother having been for some time vicar of the Anglican church in Rossland, and another brother being at present manager of the Hall Mining & Smelting Company at Nelson.

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Watch tomorrow's Colonist for list of specialties to be offered for sale for the balance of this week at the big salage sale at 23 Johnson street.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25¢.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Feb. 27.—A total of over 2,000 shares changed hands on the exchange during the continuance of the speculative excitement, though there were not much advances as were made last week. Very substantial gains were made, however, in realizing the profits caused by last week's advances, but when a check resulted to the rise in prices, the advance was checked, what was chiefly remarked, as the resistance offered to the selling was not helped by any notable new development with the exception of the striking movement in Southern Pacific. The advance in this stock was explained



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## Provincial Legislature

### Nothing But Routine In House Yesterday and Little of That.

### Notices of Motion, More Bills Coming Down This Week.

Monday, February 27. The House assembled at 2 o'clock, and after the reading of prayers by Rev. W. Leslie Clay, the following was the order of business.

#### Petitions.

Mr. Munro presented a petition from J. H. Collinson and others opposing the bill to incorporate the Sumas Development Company.

A petition from J. F. Helliswell and others opposing the bill to incorporate the Institute of Accountants of British Columbia was received.

#### Bills Introduced.

Dr. King introduced a bill to incorporate the Fording Valley Railway Company; also a bill respecting the Kootenay & Cariboo & Pacific Railway Company.

The Attorney-General introduced a bill to amend the Replevin Act.

Hon. Mr. Green introduced a bill to amend the Bridges Act.

#### Questions and Answers.

Mr. Evans asked: "Is it the intention of the government during the present session to introduce a bill dealing with the superannuation list, according to promise made last session?"

The Premier replied in the negative, explaining that the government was considering the advisability of introducing legislation dealing with the civil service generally.

#### County Court Act.

The bill to amend the County Court Act was committed, Mr. Paterson in the chair.

Mr. Macgowan pointed out that under the section dealing with Rules of Court, power was given to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to make the scale of fees. He argued that the fees should be definitely stated in the bill.

Mr. Oliver communicated similar views.

The point was noted by the Attorney-General, who was in charge of the bill.

Mr. Ross proposed to form a new county court district, to be known as East Kootenay, comprising the electoral districts of Fernie, Cranbrook and Columbia. This suggestion was adopted.

After considering a number of clauses of the bill the committee rose and reported progress.

The bill to amend the Land Registry Act was committed, Mr. Cameron in the chair. Progress was reported.

#### Company Mortgages.

The Attorney-General moved the second reading of the bill to provide for the registration of companies' mortgages. He explained that the measure was practically a copy of the English Act.

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock tomorrow.

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